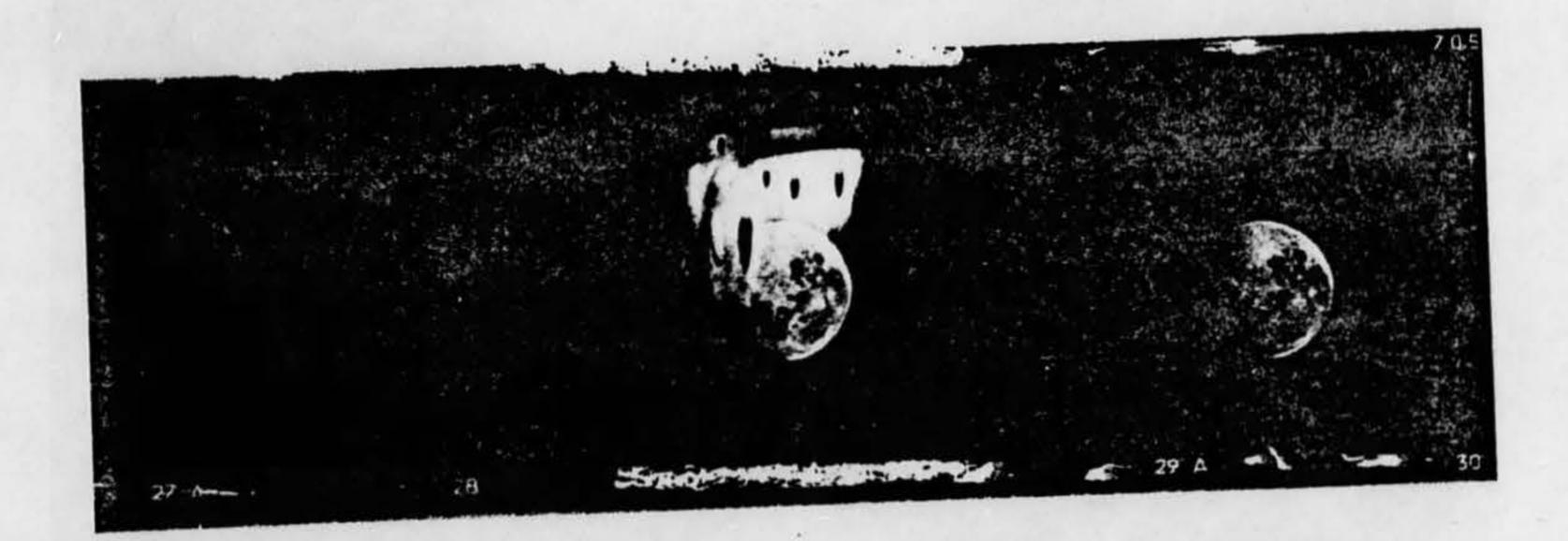
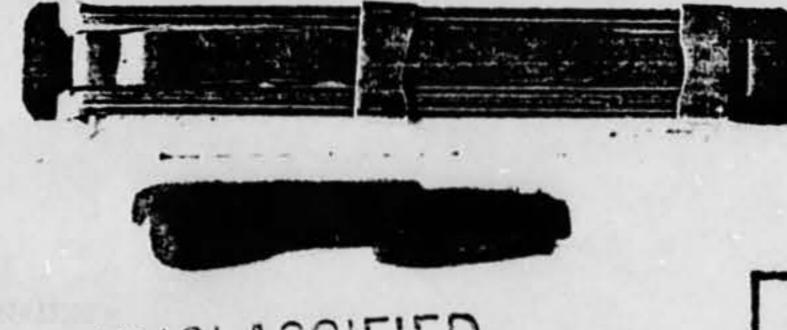
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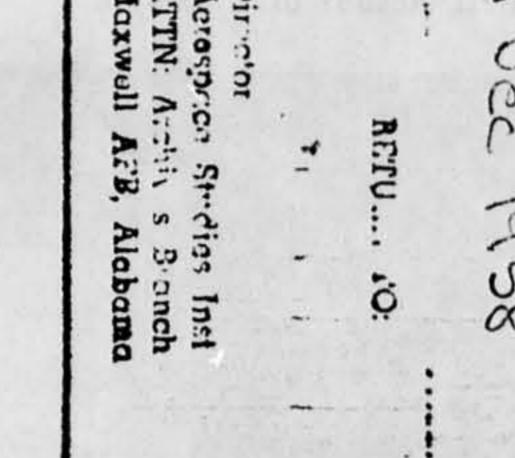
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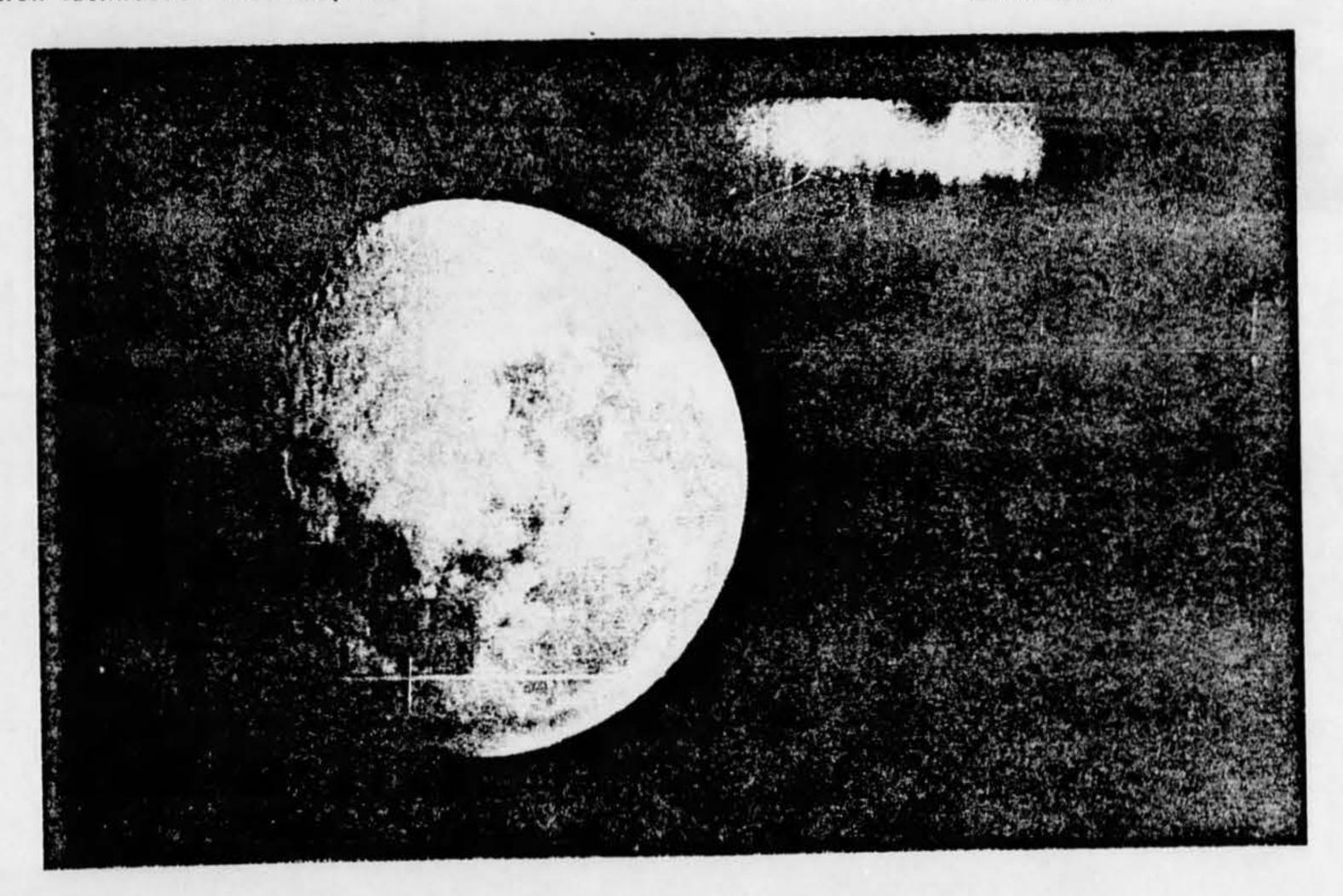
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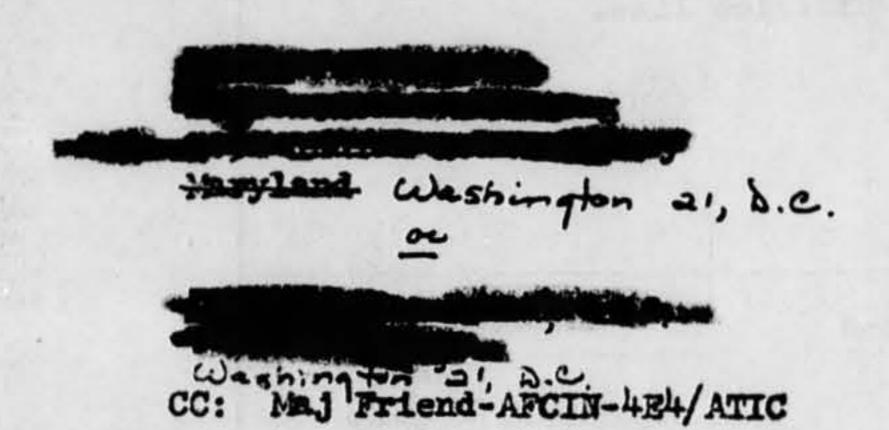
Dear Mr.

Major Robert J. Friend of the Air Technical Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Chio, has asked me to write and thank you for the photographs you so graciously furnished him concerning unidentified flying objects. Major Friend asked me to reiterate the fact that these photographs would be viewed by Air Technical Intelligence Center personnel only.

Upon completion of the Air Technical Intelligence Center analysis and/or evaluation, the original photographs will be returned to you.

Sincerely,

LAWRENCE J. TACKER
Major, USAF
Executive Officer
Public Information Division
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thanking him for the photographs which he gave to me. I promised him that these photographs would not be turned over to anyone in the industry and you might reassure him of this.

2. The address is:



3. I am not sure, but I think he is located in Anacostia. The general area is out South Capitol Street just beyond the District line.

Major Robert J. Friend	9 Dec 58
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SUBJECT: Conversation with Regarding Unidentified Objects on the Moon

TO: ATCIN-4D

FROM: AFCIN-4E4

8 Dec. 1958 COMMENT NO. 3 4E4/Maj Friend/ac/69216/31dg 828

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AFCIN-4E4 Weekly Activity Report

SUBJECT: UFO Program

11 December 1958

1. Mejor Friend of the Aerial Phenomena Group, Air Science
Division, visited Washington, D. C., 1 December 1958, to contact

had made several calls to the office of

M/Gen. Watson claiming possession of photographs of UFO's in the earth's

atmosphere and also being launched from the moon. Major Friend secured
several of the photographs which are presently in 4D for interpretation.

A complete analysis of the findings will be prepared by 4M4 in the near
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Experts Await Details Of Eruption on Moon

By WILLIAM HINES Star Staff Writer

Astronomers here adopted a "wait and see' attitude today on a report from Russia that a volcano was observed in eruption on the moon a few days ago.

An Associated Press dispatch quoted the official Soviet news agency, Tass, as having published the report. Tass said an astronomer at the Crimean Astrophysics Observatory, N. A. Kozyreva had observed the apparent

volcanic eruption early on the port is phony just because we morning of November 3. It didn't see the event," Father took the form of a bright light Heyden said. "That would be that lasted 30 minutes. unscientific."

The head of the Soviet Acad- However, he added, the reemy of Sciences said the Kozy- port does not jibe with all evirev report will require science dence pointing to the moon as to change its thinking about a completely lifeless, cold rock the moon as a completely in the sky.

Bright Flashes Before

astronomer at Georgetown Uni- though young," and is con- cause a white-hot flash which versity, said there have been reports of bright flashes on the servatory," while most earlier the area of impact cooled off, moon's surface before. Ex- reports of lunar flashes have he said. plaining that he had not had come from amateurs. time this morning to consult Dr. Roman said it was pos- Mr. Watts wanted to wait and scientfic literature on the sub-

observations" of the flare-up. the satellite. Most observations of such .phenomena have been visual through a telescope-rather "It's also possible," Dr. Rothan, with the more accurate man said, "that there is someand reliable machine known as thing on the lunar surface the spectralscope.

Makes No Sense

sense to say Mr. Kozyrev's re- proper position relative to one The vote was 34-1.

"dead" celestial body. Dr. Nancy Roman, astron-Conceding the scientific in- omer at the Naval Research tegrity and professional capa- Laboratory, said reports such ing is not necessarily conclusive. not been substantiated by other observation.

The Rev. Francis J. Heyden, Kozyrev is "a decent scientist, moon's surface. This could nected, with a "reputable ob- would last for some time until

sible—as the Russians now see. ject, Father Heyden said he suggest—that the prevailing "There are hundreds of amaseemed to recall that such opinion about the "lifeless" teur astronomers looking at the brilliant flare-ups had been at- moon must be revised. But, moon all the time, all over the tributed to meteor hits on the she emphasized, even if an world," Mr. Watts said. "They moon's surface. eruption had occurred on the look at it more than the pro-The Jesuit astronomer said moon's surface, it might be one fessionals. Mr. Kozyrev's announcement of sub-surface molten rock or was interesting because it con- lava rather than a surge of porting the same incident; tained references to "spectral liquid metal from the center of

Wait for Evidence

there that reflects like a mirror and can be seen only when the Karami's cabinet powers to "I don't think it makes any sun, earth and moon are in rule by decree for six months.

another." She indicated this as a remote possibility.

For the present, the NRL astronomer added, she would be content to wait for evidence that would bear out-or knock down-the Russian report.

C. B. Watts, astronomer at the Naval Observatory, said he was "rather astonished" at the report, but added that it is "reasonable to suppose that there was a volcanic eruption."

'However, Mr. Watts added, the Russians undoubtedly are wrong if they think all the surface features on the moon are volcanic in origin. Many of the moon's craters were caused by the impact of meteors, he explained.

May Have Been Meteor

Mr. Watts did not rule out the possibility that the flash reported by Mr. Kozyrev might have been caused by a meteor. bility of Mr. Kozyrev, Ameri- as Kozyrev's report have been The terrific energy contained can astronomers said his find- published in the past but have in a fair-sized meteor traveling many miles a second would be dissipated in the form of heat However, she added, Mr. when the meteor struck the

Like the other astronomers,

"Maybe they will start remaybe they won't. We'll just have to wait."

Karami Power Voted

BEIRUT, Nov. 13 (AP). -Lebanon's Parliament last night granted Premier Rashid

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Regarding

TO AFCIN-4E4

FROM AFCIN-4E

17 November 1958 CMT NR.2

Col Gilbert/js/Bldg 828/51182

1. Attention is invited to Comment #1 from, and newspaper clipping inclosed.

2. With particular reference to paragraph 5, believe 4E4 should initiate some action to try and clean up the situation. Be sure to get all past history of 4A. and 4 from !

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TO AFCIN-4E4

FROM AFCIN-AD

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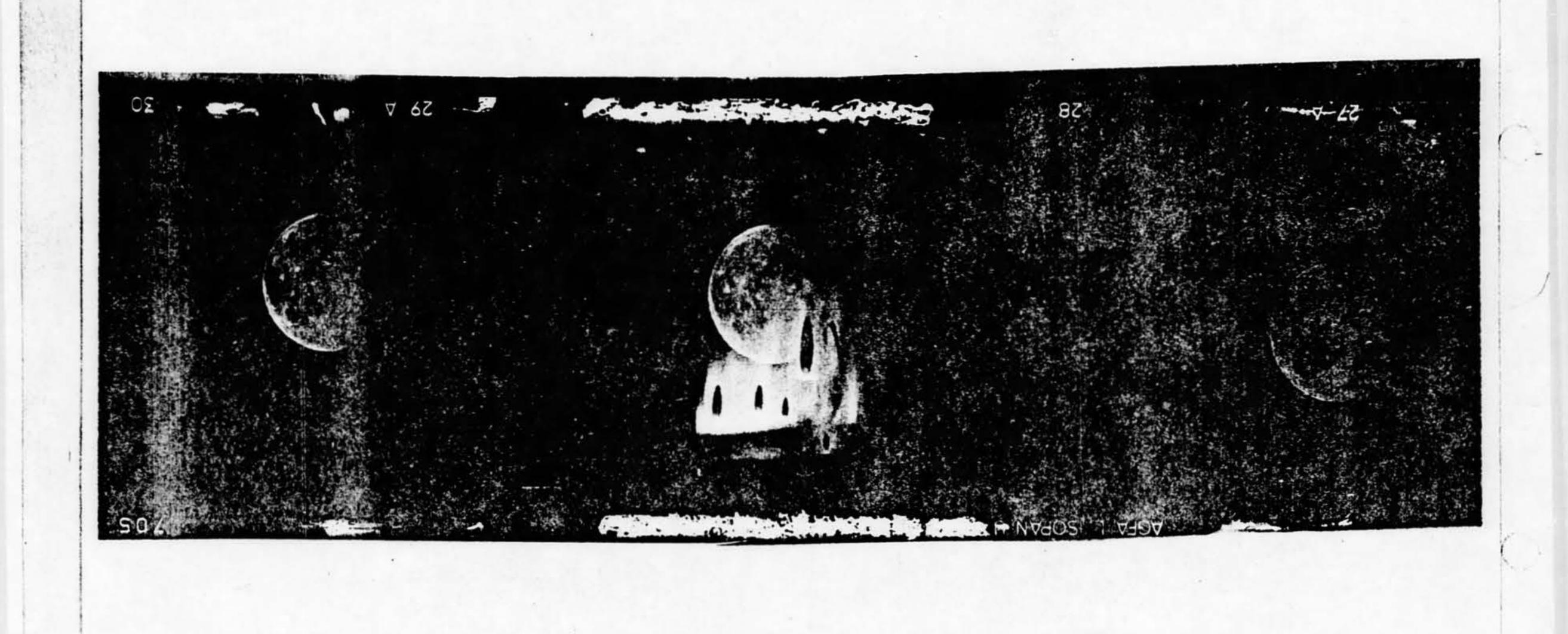
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had greater significance due to Russian Astronoment claim that he had observed a volcanic eruption on the moon (Tab-B). Claim is that this was just a misinterpretation of one of his pictured "blast-offs."

asked Major Friend his position and if he were free to make a definite commitment concerning the Air Force's attitude toward his developer and was informed by Major Friend that the Air Science Division's interest in the matter was restricted to the images, if they were images, on the film. however, was persistent in the connection of his developer and the images, his belief is that present commercial developers would not bring out these images. The attitude of was that he should be paid to cover the expense he had incurred in making these photographs, he estimates approximately \$1000.00. He expressed anger and disgust in that he had offered all of this material to the Air Force for free, along with his labor and the technique for capturing this phenomena on film, and had been rebuffed.

At this point informed Major Friend that the reasons the pictures had not been released by him for publication numbered four.

- 1. He couldn't support his family on the \$10.00 a day paid to witnesses at Congressional hearings, and he was sure a hearing would result.
- 2. The Russians had been first in so many things he couldn't allow them to get a start here, using his pictures as a springboard.
- 3. He was afraid someone like would take the information and cause a panic.
- 4. He was afraid because of security reasons.

then excused himself from the room for the purpose of calling his attorney. Major Friend could not see or the telephone, but could hear the dialing and the Fine half of the conversation. The Officer couldn't determine if the connection had not been made or possibly broken immediately after dialing. The Fine half of the conversation was very much in the same tone as a general attitude and previous exchange with Major Friend. Supposedly submitting to his lawyer's advice on the "bargaining with national security" point asked that God help him make the right decision. His final statement to his attorney was that he



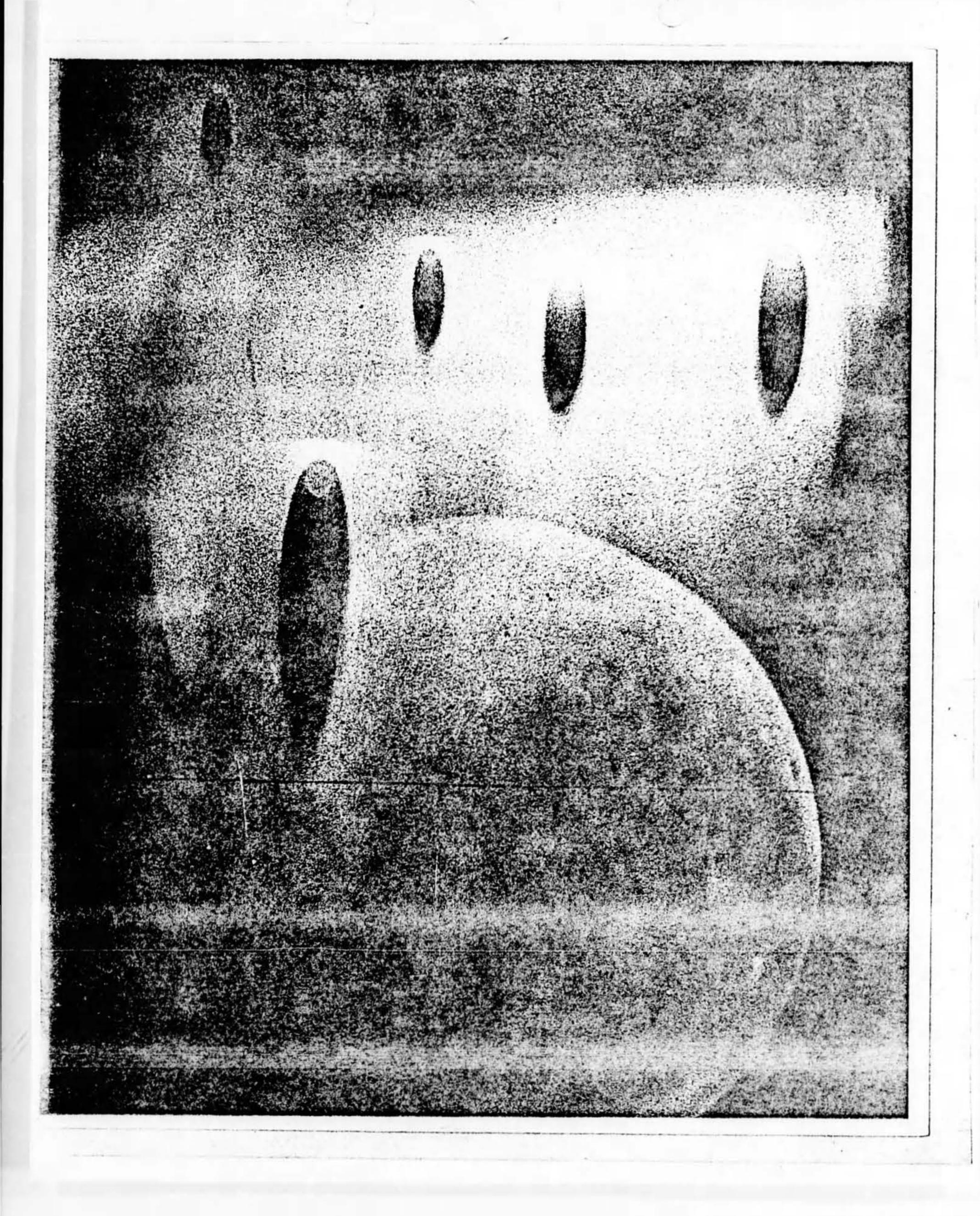
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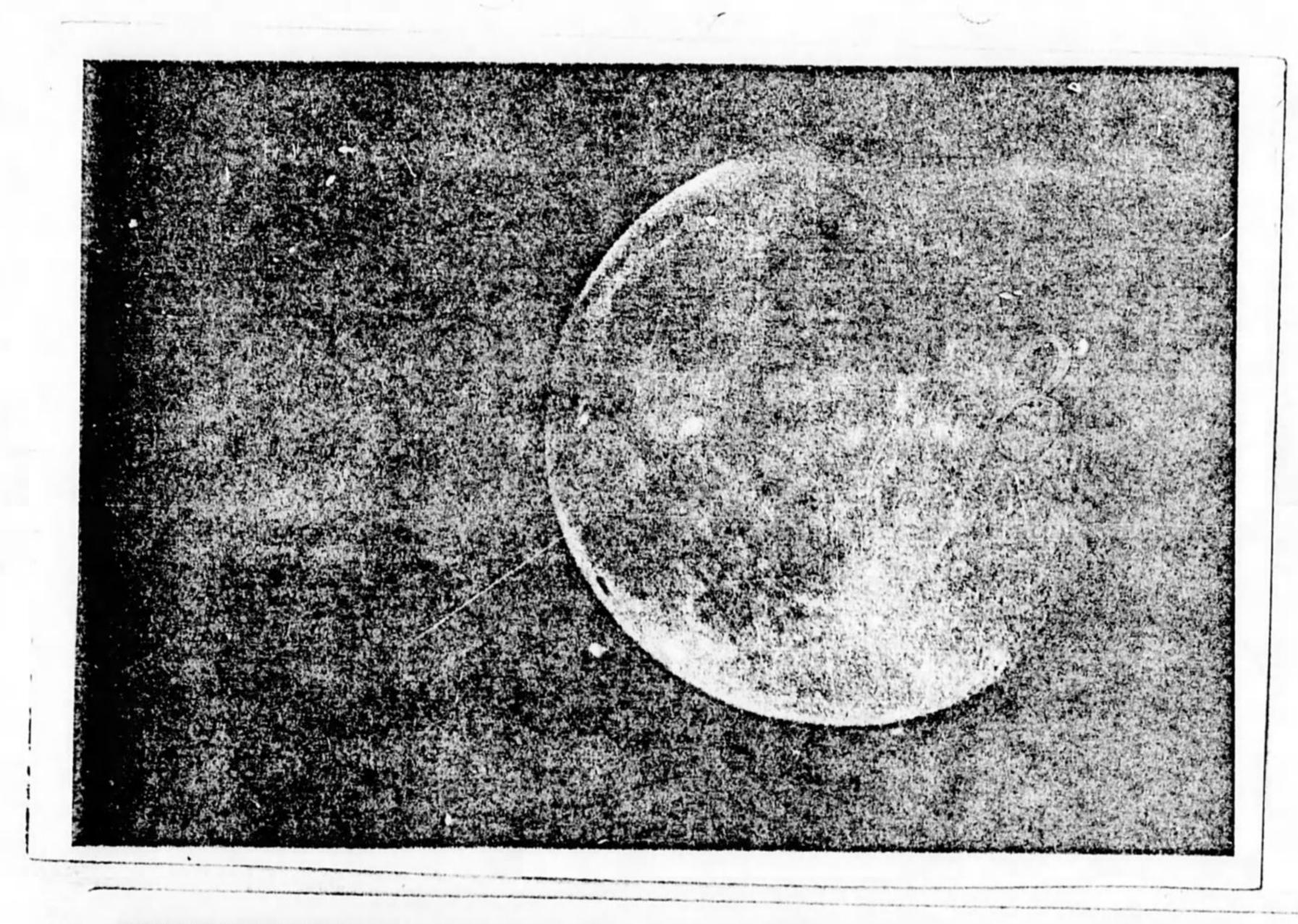
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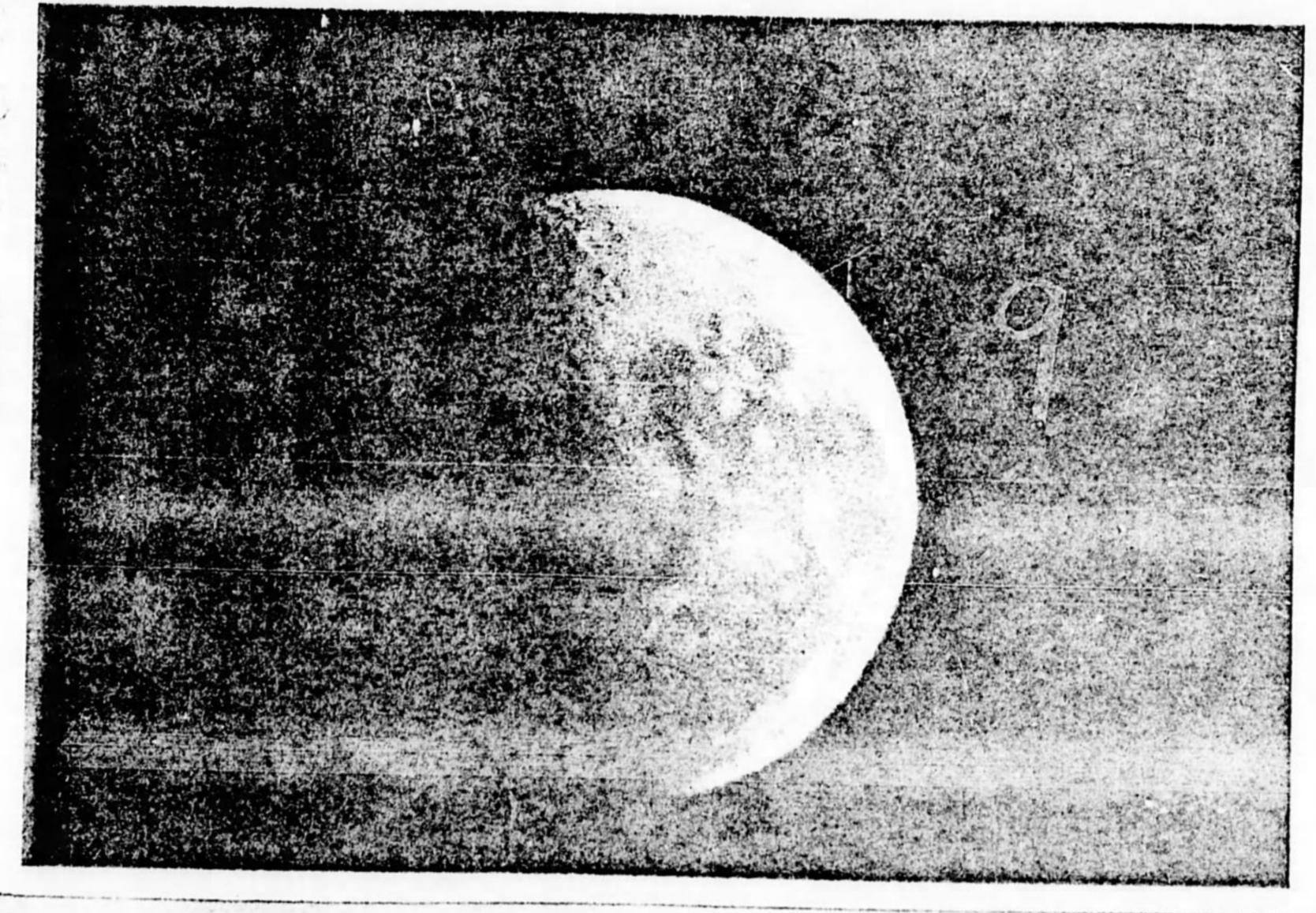
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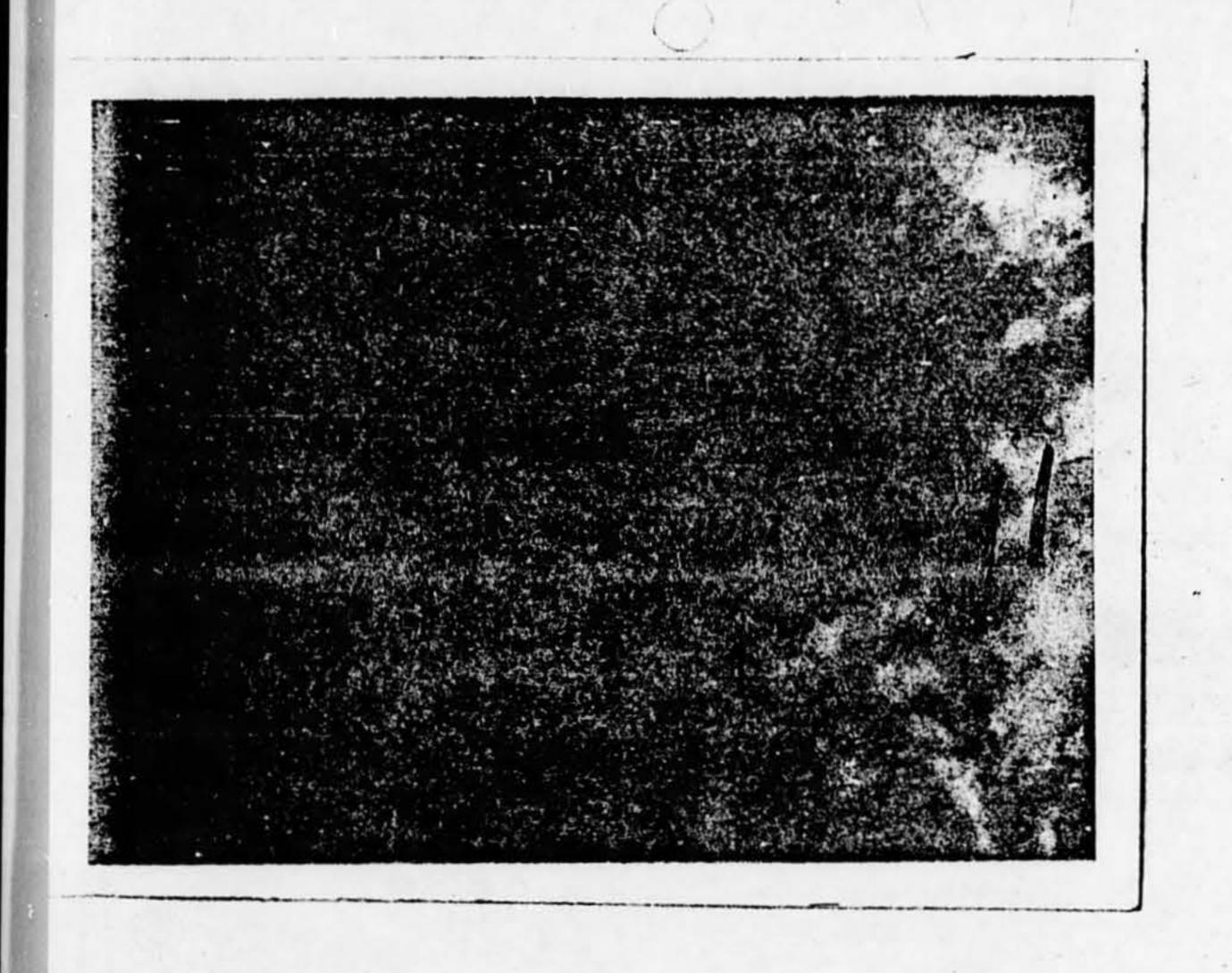




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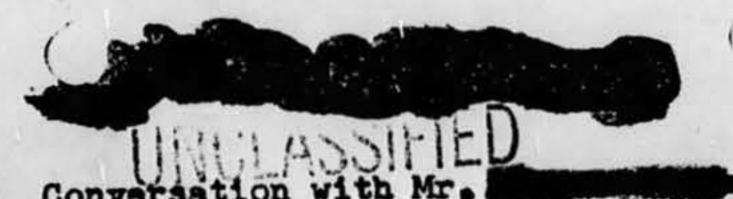
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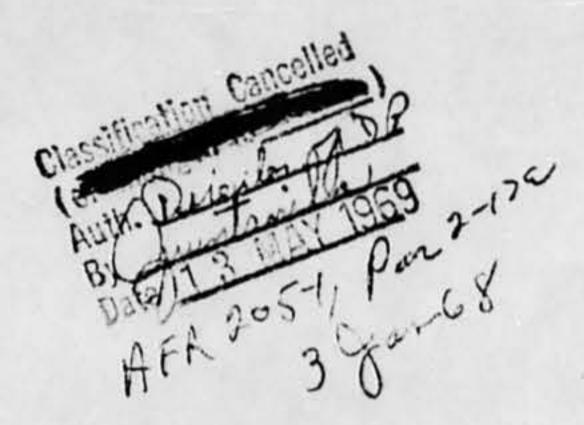
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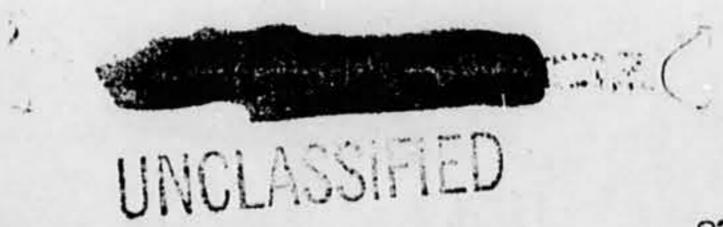
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27 March 1959

MEMO FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: UFO Pictures of

I. The Investigation.

Major Friend of the Aerial Phenomena Group, Air Sciences Division, AFCIN-4E4g, visited Washington, D. C. 1 December 1958 through 4 December 1958, for the purpose of interviewing the transfer of the purpose of interviewing the transfer of the purpose of interviewing the transfer of the purpose of interviewing the past few weeks.

Watson's office with calls during the past few weeks.

Prior to contacting . Major Friend cleared with both Major Byrne of AFCIN-X1 and Major Tacker of SAFIS-3. Neither had heard of ... but were glad of ATIC's interest.

Initial contact with was made by telephone on the morning of 3 December 1958. Informed Major Friend that it would be impossible to grant an appointment before approximately 1900, due to a large number of previous engagements with government people in high places and a pressing contract. Would not divulge the identity of these people or the agency with which they were associated, he later let drop broad hints like "top missile man". A specific comment of the during this initial contact was that outside of government service, if you don't produce, you don't eat. This one comment serves to sum up the man's attitude toward the government and more specifically the United States Air Force.

Major Friend spent approximately three hours with the during which time the gentlemen confessed his ill feeling toward the Air Force, M/Gen. Watson, - 4A and - 4A. feels that the Air Force and these gentlemen in particular are out to give one a hard way. , and had visited at an earlier date concerning the photo developer he had supposedly perfected. It was determined by 4A that Mr. Fine's developer was not as good as the present day commercial product (see Tab-A).

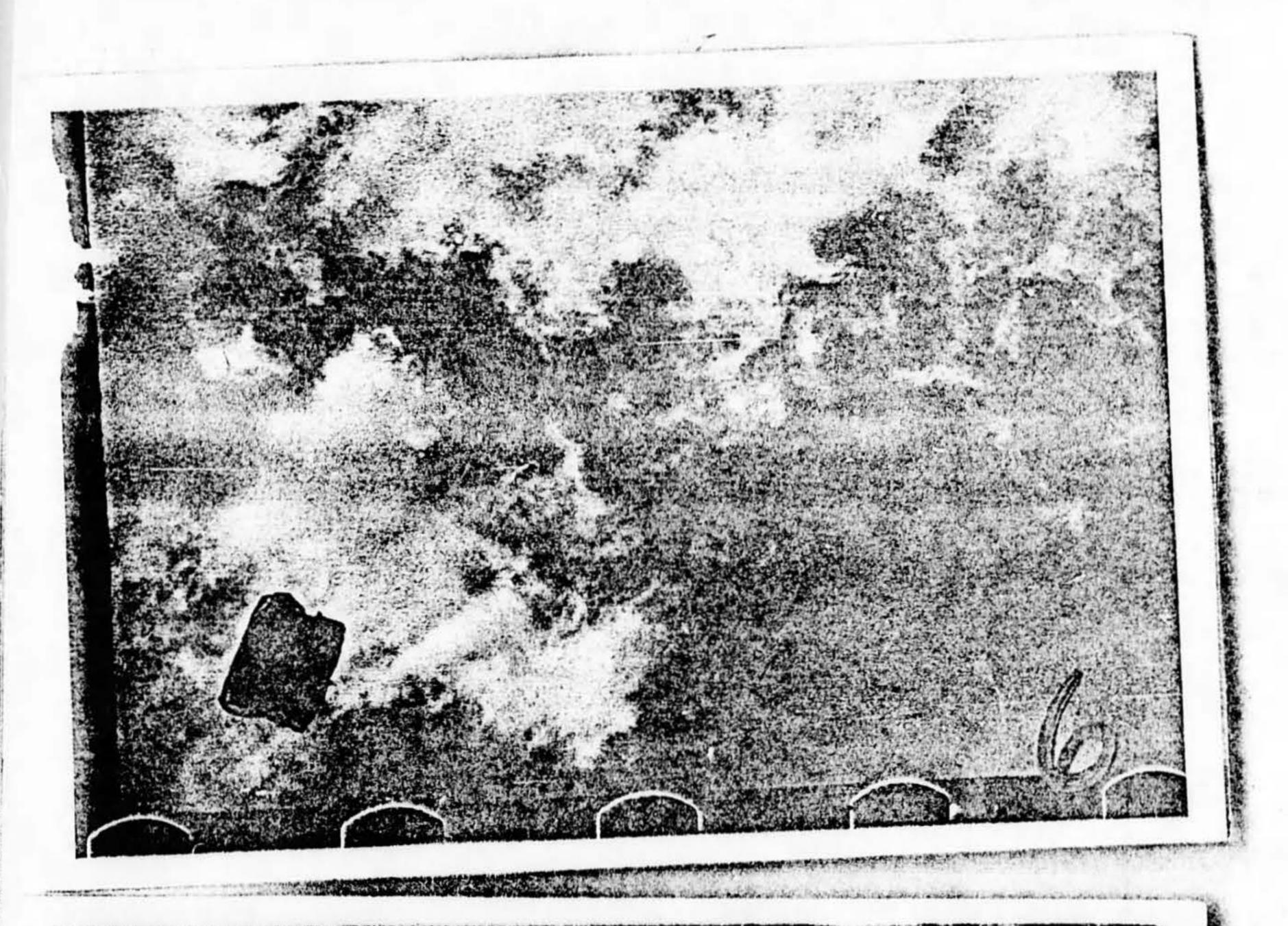
was very enthusiastic about his photographs and felt that he had pictures of "blast-offs" from the moon with associated shock waves and of space ships in our own atmosphere with and without the moon as a background (See attached photographs). Felt that his photographs

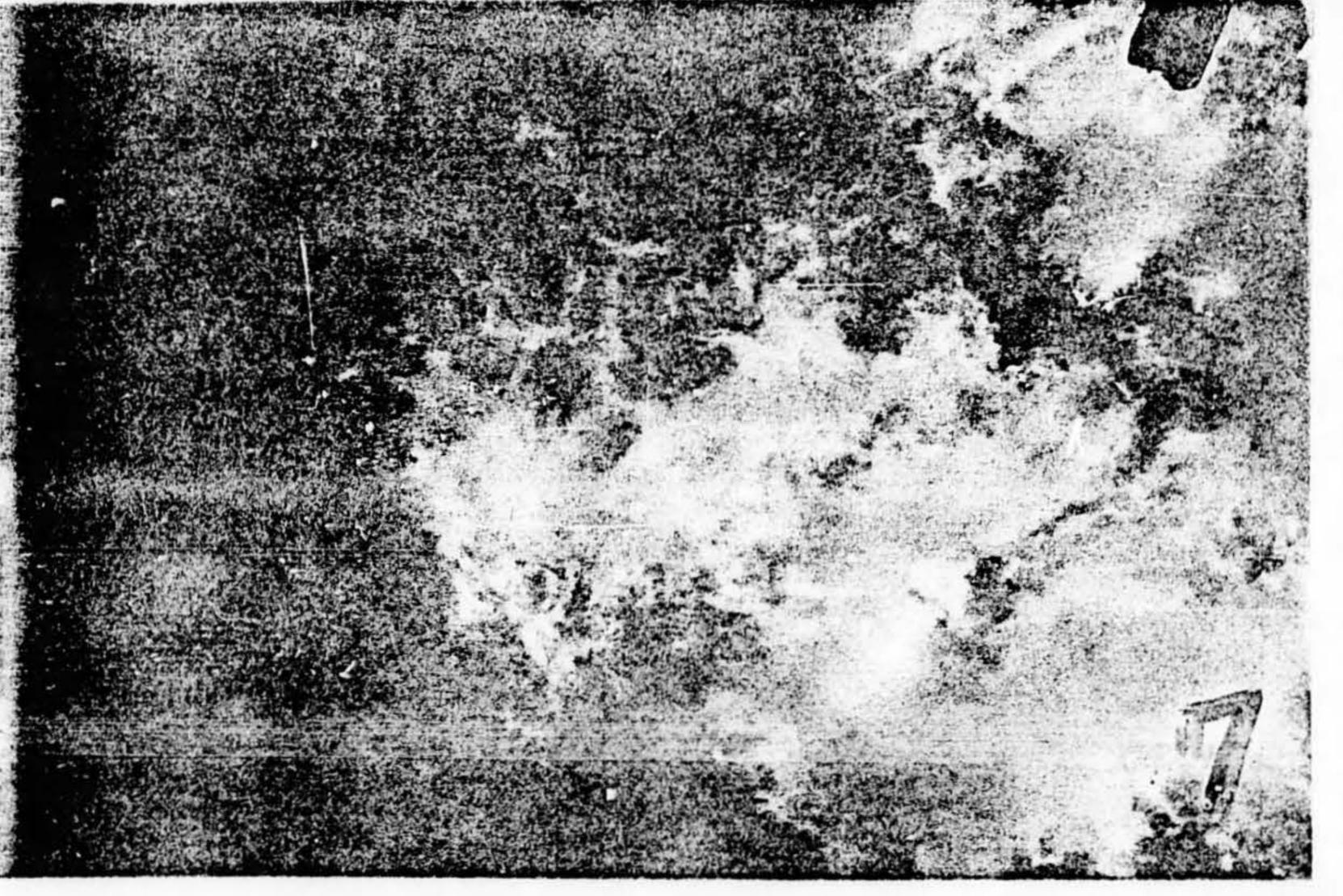
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MOSCOW, NOV. 13--(UPI)--SOVIET ASTRONOMER NIKOLAI KOZYREV RECENTLY PHOTOGRAPHED A VOLCANO ERUPTING ON THE MOON, THE OFFICIAL SOVIET TASS NEWS AGENCY SAID LAST NIGHT.

KOZYREV TOOK THE PHOTOGRAPH AT ABOUT 4 A.M. MOSCOW TIME NOV. 3
WITH THE 50-INCH REFLECTOR OF THE CRIMEA ASTROPHYSICAL LABORATORY,
TASS SAID.

KOZYREV DESCRIBED THE ERUOPTION AS A REDDISH GLOW THAT GREW IN INTENSITY AFTER TWO HOURS.

"THERE WAS EVERY REASON TO BELIEVE THAT IT WAS A NORMAL DEVELOPMENT OF A VOLCANIC PROCESS ON THE SURFACE OF THE MOON", HE SAID.

OF THE SOVIET ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, SAID SPECTROGRAMS LEFT NO DOUBT THAT KOZYREV HAD SEEN A VOLCANO.

"WE CAN NOW REGARD AS ENTIRELY WRONG THE VIEW ON THE ORIGIN OF THE MAIN FEATURES OF THE LUNAR LANDSCAPE AS BEING DUE TO THE IMPACT OF METEORITES," HE SAID.

THIS VOICANIC ERUPTION SHOWS THAT THE PROCESSES RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FORMATION OF THE SURFACE RELIEF APPLY BOTH TO THE EARTH AND THE MOON.

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TO AFCIN-4E4

FROM AFCIN-LD

30 January 1959 4D4a/Mr. Davis/fw 74295/Bldg 828 COMMENT NO. 4

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SUBJECT

Conversation with Mr. regarding Unidentified Objects on the Moon

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AFCIN-4D

DATE 14 November 58 COMMENT NO. 1 70207/Bldg 828/Room 210Z

1. During my last visit to Washington, I was asked by Colonel McGarity to talk to Mr. which on the telephone since he had been making numerous phone calls to General Watson's office regarding unidentified objects on the moon.

- 2. To go into the history, this same man is responsible for the development of some exclusive photo processing chemicals which have been used by the Ansco people. The Ansco people notified Major Randall about three months ago that this man had in his collection a photo which might be of interest to the intelligence community As a result Dr. and Mr. of 4A, and Mr. of 4D visited and Mr. Griffin brought back with him a set of the prints. That particular set of photographs were apparently explained away as a cracked telescopic lens.
- Mr. Fine told me that since that time he has taken many more photographs with different cameras and different telescopes. He thinks, as a matter of fact knows in his opinion that there are objects taking off from the moon. He says he sees "blast offs with shock waves attached". He refers to the writings of a person named Menninger on the subject of ionic or eonic propulsion. I am not sure of the relationship of this to what he discloses.
- 4. He refers specifically to the articles which are appearing in the paper about the Soviets having seen eruptions on the moon. (An example of this type of (article is attached). His claim is that these are not eruptions but rather "things ablasting off" from the moon.
- What is important in all this is that if the man has some real data it would concern either your UFO or Sciences Division. If he is not sincere, he might pass these pictures with his story to the press and cause us considerable manhours to either investigate or explain. I therefore suggest that this man be contacted. and visited by people from your shop. My answer to him was that I would notify the cognizant people who would carry it from there. His phone number in Washington is

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V. Conclusion.

It is the conclusion of the ATIC analyst that a was perpetrating a hoax, either for financial gain, for some pathological reason, or possibly both. Insistance of connecting the so-called unusual features of the pictures with his developer, and attempts to get money for the pictures dictates a lean toward the mercenary reason as a cause.

VI. Tab-E - Miscellaneous information concerning this case.

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was going to let Major Friend have the prints because he felt that someone was out to get this Officer by giving him a job as hot as this one. The then made a call to his wife, more of the same simple banter.

his phone and office were bugged and that he knew he was under investigation. His sister worked at Arlington Halls and according to him had not spoken to him for two weeks because she had been so instructed. He further wanted to know if M/Gen. Watson had sent Major Friend on the mission. Denials by the Officer were firmly swept aside as slowly convinced himself that M/Gen. Watson was very definitely behind the whole thing as a result of his calls to the General's office.

Finally turned over a set of his prints to Major Friend and informed him that he was doing this only in the interest of national security.

All during the interview to be let drop intimations that his eyes were such that he could see things which other people could see only through the medium of photography, and that he had a theory by which he knew the speeds of these bodies, there was continuous mention of "a wheel within a wheel" and "Mach 2 T."

On 4 December 1958. Major Friend briefed Major Byrne and Major Tacker on the results of the meeting with

II. The Investigator's Impression of

than average intelligence. This man knows photography and the photographic business, but tends to feel that everyone else connected with the industry is less competent than he. While his physics and astronomy is limited, he tends to make half statements using technical terms in an attempt to leave one with the impression that he is competent in these areas. The following is a layman's summation of the psychological attitude of the of the psych

- 1. Suffers from a persecution complex.
- 2. Exhibits a superiority complex. It is hard to tell if this is his real attitude or a defensive mechanism for an inferiority complex.

The general appearance of the man was unkempt. He wore his clothes in a sloppy manner and the same degree of untidiness was evident in his business establishment. There was nothing connected with the man which gave the impression of orderliness.

III. Actions.

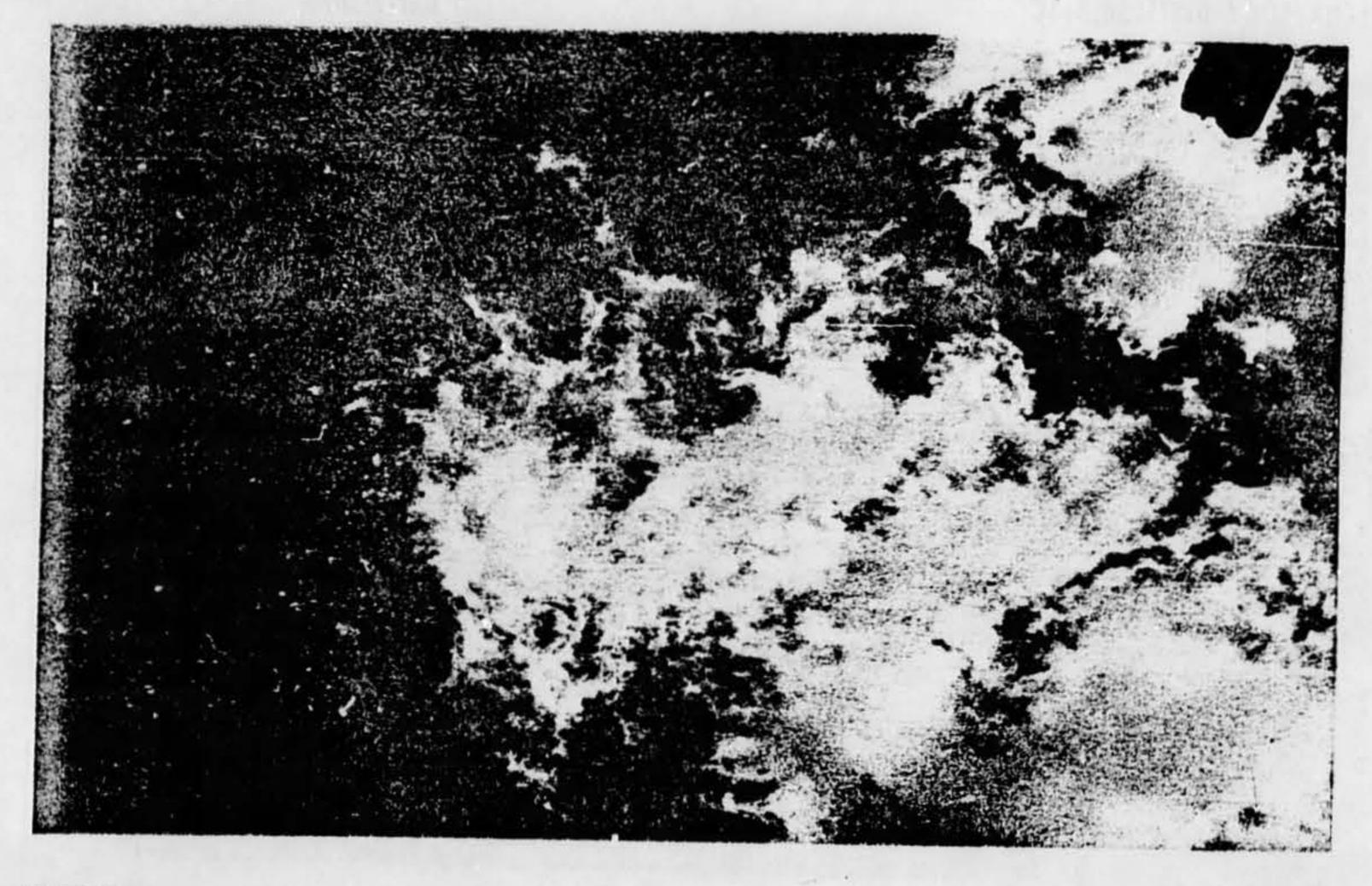
On return to ATIC Major Friend turned the photographs over to AFCIN-4D for analysis and/or interpretation.

IV. Analysis.

The report from AFCIN-4D appears as Tab-C to this document. The photo-

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